

Notice of Allowability

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10/622,390

Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 9/7/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 7/17/03 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date 6/1/05.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-4 are allowed. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: although the prior art of Miller shows a device having a base comprising a pivotal left and right arm, Tang shows a seat, Fan shows an elongated bar having crossbars and a seat, Chiang shows an elongated bar having crossbars, U-shaped brackets on the bars and a seat, Perry shows a seat and pivotal left and right arm, the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest, singularly or an obvious combination of a device having a base connector including a flat elongated bar having a first hollow cylinder with a bushing at each end affixed to a proximal end of the flat elongated bar and a second hollow cylinder with a bushing at each end affixed to a distal end of the flat elongated bar, the first hollow cylinder and its bushings rotatably affixed to the U-shaped bracket attached to the center crossbar of said base; a connector plate having a left elongated plate and a right elongated plate, the plates being spaced apart and parallel to each other and having oppositely disposed parallel openings adjacent a proximal end of each plate and oppositely disposed parallel openings adjacent a distal end of each plate, the distal end of the left elongated plate and right elongated plate rotatably connected to the second hollow cylinder and its bushings of the base connector; a left arm including an elongated bar having a transverse opening adjacent a proximal end and a transverse plate affixed at its opposite distal end with a left grip attached to the transverse plate and extending above and parallel to the elongated bar and extending toward the proximal end of the elongated bar, a pair of spaced apart parallel stop members extending transversely to the elongated bar adjacent its distal

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end, a hollow cylinder with bushings at either end affixed to a lower surface of the elongated bar, the hollow cylinder and bushings rotatably affixed to the left elongated U-shaped bracket on said base; a right arm including an elongated bar having a transverse opening adjacent a proximal end and a transverse plate affixed at its opposite distal end with a right grip attached to the transverse plate and extending above and parallel to the elongated bar and extending toward the proximal end of the elongated bar, a pair of spaced apart parallel stop members extending transversely to the elongated bar adjacent its distal end, a hollow cylinder with bushings at either end affixed to a lower surface of the elongated bar, the hollow cylinder and bushings rotatably affixed to the right elongated U-shaped bracket on said base; a seat cushion supported above a seat liner, which cushion and liner are supported on a seat frame having a lower surface to which is affixed a bracket having a pair of spaced apart parallel walls with each wall having an opening adjacent each end, the openings adjacent each respective end being aligned; a left V-frame member having an upper section and a lower section attached to each other at their respective proximal ends, the upper section terminating at a distal end in a hollow cylinder having a pair of oppositely disposed bushings at either end, the hollow cylinder and its bushings inserted between a left end of the parallel walls of the bracket on the seat frame and rotatably attached thereto, the lower section also terminating at a distal end in a hollow cylinder having a pair of oppositely disposed bushings at either end, the hollow cylinder and its bushings rotatably connected to the left elongated bar of the left arm at the opening adjacent its proximal end; a right V-frame member having an upper section and a lower section

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attached to each other at their respective proximal ends, the upper section terminating at a distal end in a hollow cylinder having a pair of oppositely disposed bushings at either end, the hollow cylinder and its bushings inserted between a right end of the parallel walls of the bracket on the seat frame and rotatably attached thereto, the lower section also terminating at a distal end in a hollow cylinder having a pair of oppositely disposed bushings at either end, the hollow cylinder and the bushings rotatably connected to the right elongated bar of the right arm at the opening adjacent its proximal end; and a vertical post affixed at its distal end to the lower surface of said seat frame, the vertical post terminating in a hollow cylinder at its proximal end, the hollow cylinder having bushings at either end, the hollow cylinder and its bushings inserted between the elongated plates of the connector plate at their proximal ends and rotatably attached thereto as recited in the independent claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

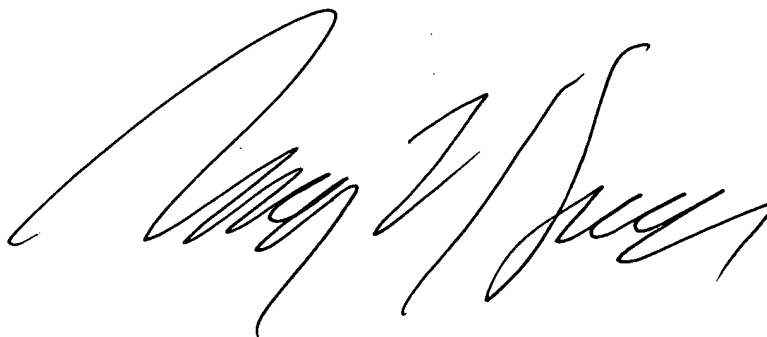
2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to L Amerson whose telephone number is (571) 272-4971. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri from 9-6 p.m. Interviews Tue. and Thur..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gregory Huson can be reached on 571-272-4887. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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